

QUARTERLY ISSUES LIST **FIRST QUARTER 1999**

ISSUE	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	TIME	DATE	DURATION
Employment, Jobs, Under- Employment & Business	Nanty Glo Woes	The borough is experiencing a money crunch and it looks like people on the payroll will be laid off. There is no word yet on how many and which ones. But the job cuts seems inevitable.	6pm	3/31/99	1:10
	Clearfield Lay off	Equimeter, a Clearfield County company that makes gas meters, announced today that it will consolidate some operations. As a result, 100 workers will lose their jobs.	6pm	3/19/99	1:15
	Pal Deliveries	Single parents and saving some money are the focus of a new business called Pal Deliveries. It's designed by Mom's House and its service promises to do grocery shopping for you and help find the cheapest prices. Founder Peg Luksik says because of new welfare reform, Pal Deliveries will also help employ Mom's House parents who are working on degrees and trying to make some money.	6pm	3/15/99	1:15
	Blair growth	A look at interim census figures indicates there has been real economic growth over the past decade. There are more jobs, the economic base is more diverse and there has been more widespread training in the work force.	6pm	3/12/99	1:05
	Road Project	Work began today on a road project in Centre County. The project has been on the drawing board for 20 years. The project, which will take many months, means a significant	6pm	3/12/99	1:15

number of construction jobs
to the region.

Mid State
Job Loss

Mid State Bank has announced 5:30pm 3/5/99 1:10
the restructuring of their facilities
across the state will result in
300 jobs being lost. There is
no estimation yet on how many
of these will occur in our region.

Call Center
To Open

Bell Atlantic announced today 6pm 3/5/99 :45
it will open a new call center in
the Station Mall. The phone
company says the center will
create 35 jobs for the area.

7 Springs
Merger

An area ski resort known as 6pm 3/1/99 1:10
Seven Springs has indicated
it may merge with a Colorado-
based resort. The business has
been owned by a local family
for years. An interest to off-
load the business has resulted
in possible merger talks. At this
point there is no indication what
affect the action might have on
jobs at the local resort.

Health Mecca

In 1998, one in eight jobs in 6pm 2/15/99 :45
the region was health-related.
Louise Publiese, Director of
Conemaugh Health Systems'
School of Nursing, expects the
number to rise. She also says
that additional job growth will
come from a large number of
nurses approaching retirement.

UPMC
Reacts to
Protests

UPMC/Lee Regional Hospital 5:30pm 2/9/99 1:15
says enough's enough. Today
hospital officials spoke out
about a business decision that
ended up costing 16 jobs at Troy
Laundry. The hospital said the
decision to go with an out of
area laundry service will result
in a substantial savings to the
area...which will be passed
on to patients.

Laundry Contract	<p>Sixteen Johnstown workers lost their jobs at Troy Laundry. Today the union took to the streets over UPMC-Lee Regional's decision to award a laundry contract to a company out of the area. Union officials indicated that even if the Troy offer was high, sending the business out of the are is not right.</p>	6pm	2/8/99 1:15
Stadium Funding	<p>Now that Gov. Ridge's 320-million dollar proposal for stadiums is approved, Johnstown's getting ready to put it's share of the money to work. A 40-million dollar re-development plan has already been designed with a big chunk of money going to expanding and improving the War Memorial. Other projects, like the Point Stadium and a new convention center are on the list. Any and all of the projects would result in an increased number of local construction jobs and potentially more service jobs once completed.</p>	6pm	2/5/99 1:20
New Partnership	<p>A new partnership between three area organizations means more opportunities for training and job skills. Today, CTC, CCACC and HGA announced they will be working together. The project is called the Partnership Center for Excellence in Workforce Development, and will allow training and testing for certification in information technology products. CTC says this will help train their employees, build skills in the workplace, and attract new business to the region.</p>	6pm	1/28/99 1:10
Conrail Deal	<p>Executives from two railroad corporations plan to close their deal to take over Conrail. The Virginia railroads, Norfolk</p>	6pm	1/21/99 1:10

Southern and CSX, say the move for customer service planning, capital improvement projects, employee training and labor agreements is almost complete. Portions of Conrail should be up and running by June 1st.

Steel March	Thousands, including many From this area, marched in Washington, D.C. today to protest imported steel. The marchers say cheap, imported steel is destroying their families and the American Steel Industry. Congressman John Murtha says he is pressing top administration officials to take more forceful and immediate steps to stop steel dumping.	6pm	1/20/99	1:10
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Workers Laid Off	Foreign competition is blamed for layoffs at the Cannondale plant in Bedford County. The Cannondale Corporation has laid off 70 workers from it's Wolfsburg plant. Cannondale says foreign companies pay workers less and have been cutting prices lately. Some of the workers may be rehired in the late spring once Cannondale opens it's new motorcycle plant.	6pm	1/15/99	1:15
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PA Jobs Report	Weekly listings of job opportunities available within the 11-county viewing area of WJAC-TV. The lists are provided by the county Offices of Economic Securities. The listings include skilled and unskilled positions.	ROS :20,:30,:40,:50,:60
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Weather	Winter Storm Again	Another winter storm has hit the region, this time dropping from 18-25 inches of additional snow. Viewer advisories were also provided during the three-hour NBC telecast of Schindler's List.	6pm	3/15/99	1:15
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Winter Storm	A winter storm has caused snow emergencies in at least two area communities. Cresson and Washington Township, near Lilly have issued snow emergencies, advising residents to stay off area streets. Team reports were provided on various snow, amounts, plowing efforts and road conditions.	6pm	3/4/99	1:50
Tree Falls in Home	High winds brought a scare to a family living in a mobile home complex in Altoona. A woman was on her way to school this afternoon, when she got a call to return home immediately. She arrived to find a tree had fallen on her home because of high winds.	5:30pm	1/18/99	1:10
Bedford Winter Blast	A violent storm marched across the Allegheny region...causing tornadoes in Bedford County. A roof was ripped off of one building and nine other structures were also damaged.	6pm	1/18/99	1:15
Snow Emergency	People living in the State College area are under a snow emergency tonight. The latest winter blast has left up to a foot of snow overnight, piling the icy mix from earlier this week. The borough wants cars parked on streets moved to make way for plow crews. Many folks just stayed home today, cutting down on downtown business and traffic. The snow emergency will remain in effect until tomorrow.	6pm	1/15/99	1:10
Wintry Overtime	The wintry weather is not just bad news for motorists, but for employers paying workers for extra hours. Those people who drive snow plows and salt trucks are putting in overtime, trying to keep the roadways and parking lots safe. It's meant 45 hours of overtime in two weeks for some city workers.	5:30pm	1/14/99	1:20
Power Preps	At the GPU Johnstown plant	6pm	1/8/99	1:15

workers are tracking weather conditions so they will be prepared for the storms, which could cause people to lose power. They are encouraging people, if they find a downed power line, to avoid it. They say don't even touch it with a stick.

Travel Threats The threat of an icy night poses 6pm 1/8/99 1:00
Added problems for travelers on the road and in the air. At area airports, staffs are working around the clock to keep runways open, while all planes are being de-iced before take-off. Most flights are on time. But travelers are advised to check ahead.

Thawing Out The latest cold snap has many 6pm 1/5/99 1:20
Your Car area travelers and residents having to deal with frozen doors and windshields. Many were caught by surprise. There are various things viewers can do from using hot water to certain over-the-counter solvents designed to thaw out ice covered metal.

Crime Holtmeyer A judge sentenced a Clearfield 6pm 3/24/99 1:00
Sentenced County teen to life in prison this afternoon. Jessica Holtmeyer will spend the rest of her life behind bars because of her involvement in the hanging and beating death of Kimberly Jo Dotts. Jurors found Holtmeyer guilty of murder in January.

Accused Two young girls claim they were 6pm 3/23/99 1:20
Molester molested by a Johnstown man. Police say the sexual assaults happened inside a Westend apartment in January. Dale Shoop, who lives at the apartment, is in prison tonight.

Drug Arrest Two Penn State University-Altoona 5pm 3/22/99 1:15
Campus students have been arrested for possession of drugs. The two were found with 300 lbs. of marijuana

and other illegal substances. The two are thought to be drug dealers on the Altoona campus.

**Professor
Jailed**

The ex-professor at Penn State, 5:30pm 3/15/99 1:20 who staged a series of public smoke-outs last year is now behind bars. Police arrested the man twice over the weekend. The former professor wants to legalize marijuana and is running for Centre County Commissioner. He went to jail for campaigning in front of a WalMart after he was asked to leave. He then returned and tried to block the store's entrance by lying across it.

Drug Sweep

The Cambria County Drug Task 6pm 3/15/99 1:10 Force made a drug sweep, putting a handful of accused dealers behind bars. More than a dozen charges were filed against three Johnstown men. According to their criminal complaints, confidential informants were used to make drug buys at various locations in the area.

Church Scam

Members of a Confluence church are 6pm 3/12/99 1:20 among several area residents who've become part of a church scam project. The project is part of a fund-raising effort by a Ft. Lauderdale organization on behalf of a Confluence church seeking funds to erect a new building.

Standoff

Area police captured a Johnstown teen 6pm 3/11/99 2:10 after the juvenile held them at bay for more than eight hours. The juvenile is accused of killing a man in the Moxham section of the city after a love triangle gone bad. The teen then fled to an apartment house he called home and held officers at bay. The teen was apprehended after the building was filled with tear gas.

Standoff

A 14-hour standoff in Clearfield came 5:30pm 3/8/99 1:50 to an end when a police negotiator successfully talked an armed apartment building tenant into surrendering. Dozens of residents were evacuated when

it was learned a man had barricaded himself in his apartment with a gun.

- Opium Arrest The Cambria County Drug Task Force 6pm 3/2/99 1:15
Has made an arrest involving opium. It's the first time area law enforcement officials have apprehended someone possessing the substance. It was discovered in the pocket of a suspected drug dealer.
- Fatal Shooting A shooting in the Bellefonte section of 5:30pm 3/2/99 1:10
Centre County has left one man dead. The man was found in a residence of this quaint community. Forensic tests are being conducted to discover the nature of the shooting. It has not yet been ruled a homicide or suicide.
- Stabbing A Johnstown woman is in the hospital 5:30pm 1/1/99 1:30
having been stabbed nine times. It is not yet known if the assault was part of a domestic disturbance.
- Bar Stabbing A man was stabbed during a disturbance 5:30pm 3/1/99 1:20
in an area bar. Another man has been arrested and is confined to the Johnstown jail. Names have been withheld.
- Dog Killing There has been considerable outrage 5pm 2/25/99 2:20
over the killing of a pitbull by Johnstown police. The dog was tied to the railing of a porch. When police could not locate the owner, the dog was sprayed with mace and later shot when it could not be controlled.
- Dog's Death The public is outraged over the police 6pm 2/15/99 1:55
shooting of five rotweilers. It began when firefighters say they couldn't get into a burning trailer because of the dogs.
- Animal An animal dispute leaves the city of 6pm 2/10/99
- Conflict Johnstown empty handed. The Humane Society of Cambria County says it will no longer be responsible for the city's animal control. After nearly 10 years of working together, the two have parted

ways and not on happy terms. The Society says it could not afford to keep working with the city. The city says they were trying to reach some sort of financial compromise with the Society.

- Deli Robbery** An employee at a neighborhood deli in Johnstown's Moxham section is shaken up after a robbery. The incident happened about 9:30 last night. The victim works at Moxham Deli. She says as she was closing the store, a man with a pocketknife came in and demanded money from the register. 6pm 2/9/99 1:30
- Free on Bond** A Johnstown man accused of murder in a 10-year-old case is free tonight. The man was released on bond and agreed not to make any contact with the victim's family. In 1990, the man served seven years in prison for hitting a man over the head with a pipe. Last October the man died and homicide charges were filed. 6pm 1/28/99 1:20
- Holtmeyer Trial** The fate of a Clearfield County teen rests with the jury. The teen was accused of killing a 15-year-old friend. 5:30pm 1/27/99 1:10
- Barto Case** A mother has testified at a State Medical Board hearing. She claims a Johnstown pediatrician touched her daughter improperly after an examination. The physician faces this and two other charges of immoral and unprofessional acts. If convicted he could lose his doctor's license. 6pm 1/26/99 1:20
- Gun Charges** Two teenagers from Windber face serious charges tonight. Authorities say the teens handled a gun on school property. According to them, one of the kids said he was going to shoot his principal with a gun that he stole from his grandmother. Police say it seems the threat was going to be carried out last week. Bad weather forced classes to be cancelled. The teens were seen flashing the weapon at a bus stop. 6pm 1/14/99 1:10

	Riot Charges	Eleven more people admit to their involvement in last year's State College riot. They all entered guilty pleas on various misdemeanor charges in Centre County this week.	6pm 1/29/99 1:20
	Chiropractor Attacked	A well-known Johnstown chiropractor may face jail time. Police say Dr. Michael Rizzo is being arraigned on felony charges. He allegedly assaulted another chiropractor, threatening to hit him with a lead pipe.	6pm 1/11/99 1:50
	Shots Fired At Teens	Two Johnstown teens dodged bullets while snowboarding down a hillside behind their home. The frightening sight is being blamed on an elderly neighbor who say he is upset with kids snowboarding too close to his house. The man is being charged with putting the teens' lives in danger.	5pm 1/7/99 1:40
Education	New Legislation	New legislation has been approved to improve communications between police departments and schools in order to improve security. Featured in the legislation, was money for radios, metal detectors and additional personnel as needed.	6pm 3/22/99 1:10
	UPJ Funding	There was a meeting between the Provost of Pitt main campus and representatives of Pitt-Johnstown (UPJ) to discuss what many consider to be a shortfall over funding. For the size of campus and programs offered, UPJ representatives believe they are not getting their share of available university and state dollars.	6pm 3/17/99 1:20
	Do's/Don'ts	A seminar was held today for those involved in the hospitality business. The seminar dealt with various do's and don'ts for hotel employees and others involved on a regular basis	5:30pm 3/16/99 1:20

with the general public. A professional hospitality coordinator conducted the seminar.

Break New legislation has been enacted 6pm 3/5/99 1:10
to give any student working at a high school, college or university, in the Commonwealth a break in their taxes. Any student so classified will no longer have social security and healthcare insurance deducted from his or her pay.

New School The Altoona School Board today 6pm 3/5/99 :45
approved plans for a new elementary school along Pleasant Valley Boulevard. The board anticipates the multi-million dollar project to break ground in May.

Peace Week Jackson Elementary School held 5:30pm 3/3/99 1:15
Special programs and classes today to celebrate "Increase Peace Week." The event was designed to focus on reducing violence in schools through increased education.

Read Across America Day Many area personalities, including 6pm 3/2/99 1:10
several WJAC-TV on-air talents, visited classrooms today in an effort to help encourage kids to read and adults to read to their kids. The campaign is held on the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Those participating were Amy Bradley, Jen Kallin, Angie Berzonski and Jonathon Walsh.

Tuition Hike Parents helping their children get 6pm 2/3/99 1:00
an education at Penn State University should be prepared to dig deeper into their pockets for future semesters. That's one of the outcomes of Gov. Ridge's message on higher education. The state budget allocation for Penn

State is less than what the university says it needs. The Governor said higher education statewide needs to tighten its financial belt.

Aids
Intervention Education and prevention are 5pm 1/21/99 1:30
weapons against the deadly HIV virus, as scientists across the world race for a cure. Americorp volunteer Josh Adams hopes to raise awareness by talking with students at area schools. Adams says as a peer educator, he believes his message reaches students. He works for the Home Nursing Agency in Altoona.

Altoona
Uniforms Students in Altoona may soon 6pm 1/12/99 1:40
start dressing to the same tune. School district officials are seriously considering a new uniformed dress code policy, which could change a student's wardrobe. The proposal calls for more of a loose dress code than a strict uniform. Officials wish to avoid corporate logos by limiting students to khaki or solid-colored slacks, a collared shirt and shoes.

PSU Growth Increased enrollment at the main 5pm 1/6/99 1:45
campus has raised concerns about adequate on-campus housing and other facilities. To date, more students have been living off campus, but the university would like to change that so as to help area businesses. There are plans in the works to create more dormitories on the main campus facility.

Health and Evacuation A truck carrying an unknown liquid 5pm 3/30/99 1:10
Health
Related is blamed for a mysterious smell in Richland township. Businesses along Scalp Avenue last night were evacuated after a strong odor filled the air.

Officials are trying to figure out what exactly was in the truck that would cause such an alarm. Samples of the liquid were taken and test results are expected soon.

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| Baby Food | The Heinz company, headquartered in our area, has recalled some of its baby food. Certain six-ounce jars of Heinz Three broccoli, carrots and cheese baby food may contain pieces of plastic. A spokesman identified the product code and said jars containing the code should be returned to area merchants for a refund. The company is uncertain exactly how many of the jars may have pieces of plastic inside. | 6pm 3/30/99 1:20 |
| Drought Worries | Our drought related worries may be easing. However in some communities with limited resources, water supply problems remain. In some cases, it's not a good situation; over the past weekend, Port Matilda firefighters had difficulty getting water for a house fire. Smaller rural communities that have little money for upgrades often encounter supply shortages. Regionalizing or consolidating systems is a possibility in portions of the viewing area. Many counties and municipalities are looking at cooperative efforts. | 5pm 2/15/99 1:20 |
| Contaminated Well | Penn State officials say water at its main campus is safe, despite reports that contamination problems exist at a nearby well. High levels of a potentially cancer causing chemical are reported in groundwater on a remote section of university property. Firefighters use this site for training. Penn State says there are no toxins seeping into the university drinking water supply. | 6pm 1/4/99 1:00 |

Community Pride/Quality of Life	Crushers Advance	The Bishop McCort Crushers hockey 6pm 3/27/99 1:00 team beat rival Richland for the Penguin Cup, which represents the Western Pennsylvania High School Champion. This school goes on to meet the Eastern Champion for the Pennsylvania High School Championship Trophy.
	Windber	The Windber Ramblers High School 6pm 3/20/99 1:00 boys basketball team made it to the championship round in their division. Unfortunately, the team was defeated by an eastern opponent.
	Museum Planned	A non-profit group is planning on 5pm 3/5/99 1:15 creating a Vietnam War Museum in Altoona. The project would cost an estimated 3.5-million dollars. State Representative Rick Geist has already acquired 500-thousand dollars in grants.
	Prince Gallitzin Celebration	Over 1,000 students attend a 6pm 3/1/99 1:25 celebration honoring Prince Gallitzin. Gallitzin was the first Catholic pastor in the region. He established his con- gregation in the Loretto area in 1799.
	Carrier Find	An Indiana County letter carrier has 5pm 3/1/99 1:10 found a handbag containing checks, money orders and cash, totaling over 35-hundred dollars. The letter carrier wants to find the owner, but to date there is no address.
	Kidz Cutz	This 30-minute program, 9am 3/20/99 30 minutes usually produced quarterly to every other month, is targeted to 13-16 year olds and runs on Saturday mornings adjacent to the station's CORE programming. It is hosted by the weekday morning station weather talent and contains interesting upbeat information and profiles on

young people, places and things in the region. Produced in an *ACCESS HOLLYWOOD* type of magazine format, there are also vignettes from CNN, NBC and Consumer Reports that would be of interest to young people. The March program featured the Kids You Should Know profiles from the quarter plus two Consumer report features on candy and board games.

Heritage Kitchen	A locally-produced program celebrates the ethnic diversity in the region, as exemplified in the cuisine of the various locales. Hosted by popular local host Mary Ann Jacobs this edition of Heritage Kitchen dealt with Italian temptations of the pallet. Receipts were made available to the viewers over the air and also on the station's website.	12:30pm 3/29/99 30 min
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People You Should Know	A regular weekly feature in the news, reporter Angie Berzonski looks at people in the region with an interesting story. Stories have ranged from an interesting past to an unusual hobby to some unique ability they possess. Featured this quarter have been the following people: 1/1 Tom Ferguson – Windber; 1/8 Jennifer Balon – Johnstown; 1/15 Salvatore Ferran – Westmont; 1/22 Don Haney – Johnstown; 1/29 Mark Stiffler – Gallitzen; 2/5 Julie Sechler – Meyersdale; 2/12 Joe Zablotney – Boswell; 2/19 Oliverio Sisters – Westmont; 2/26 Tyler Davis Somerset; 3/5 Toni Skone – Windber; 3/12 Jerry Berteotti – Westmont; 3/19 Bob Bretz – West End; 3/26 Margaret Storm – Ebensburg.	6pm 1/1,8,15,22,29; 2/5,12,19,26,3/5, 12,19,26 1:10-1:30
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Kids You Feature reports in an early 6p 1/7,14,21,28;2/4,11,18,
Should Know evening newscast and again 25;3/4,11,18,25
In the following Saturday 1:30 ea.
TODAY SHOW. They are
produced to look at kids who
provide inspiration to those
around them. Those featured are
not necessarily the best athletes,
valedictorians or most popular.
The following students were
featured this quarter. 1/7 - Tom
Lipsinic, Ebensburg; 1/14 - Thayer
Paxton, Berlin; 1/21 - Jasmine
Jenkins, Indiana; 1/28 - Amanda
Berkhamer, New Florence; 2/4 -
Nicholas Weakland, Loretto;
2/11 - Joshua Ryan, State College;
2/18 - Justin Beyers, Sidman;
2/25 - Lauren Thomas - Davidsville;
3/4 - Beth Lasko, Somerset; 3/11 -
Stephanie Feyock, Richland; 3/18 -
Jaemie Gyurik, Windber; 3/25 -
Jordan Rhoat, Northern Bedford.